

DECLINES TO ACCEPT SANDS'S RESIGNATION

Judge Scott Refers Whole Matter to State Board for Adjustment.

SANDS HAS MADE HIGH RECORD

Examiner of Records for This District Has Succeeded in Placing on Tax Books Enormous Amounts of Unlisted Property.

Members of the State Tax Board declined to accept yesterday the resignation of Examiner of Records William H. Sands, of this district, tendered several days ago to Judge R. Carter Scott, of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, who refused to accept it, and referred the whole matter to the board, to which Major Sands will, after June 17, be responsible.

Major Sands, who has held the office for twenty years, first under appointment by Judge Wellford and then under reappointment by Judge Scott, called for more than an hour yesterday with Christopher B. Garnett, recently appointed executive assistant to the State Tax Board, without, however, informing him of his resignation. It is known that the members of the Tax Board have a high regard for the services rendered by Major Sands to the board during his tenure of office.

In his letter of resignation to Judge Scott, Major Sands explains that he feels such a course best, for the reason that the last session of the General Assembly made radical change in the method of appointing examiners of records, transferring that power from the Circuit Courts to the State Tax Board itself, and making the examiners amenable only to the board. Under the new law, the terms of the present examiners expire on May 31; but, if they are acceptable to the board, they may continue in office until May 1, 1920.

Major Sands has in recent months made statements that might have been construed as criticisms of the board, and for this reason, it is pointed out, he may have thought his resignation would reflect the least of embarrassment. Now that Judge Scott has declined to accept the resignation, it is probable that it will be withdrawn. In the event, however, that Major Sands presses a demand for the board to accept his resignation, his successor will be appointed by Judge Scott, to hold office until 1920, if he proves acceptable to the board.

During the years that Major Sands held the office of examiner of records, the aggregate amount of taxable real property for Richmond and Henrico reported through his office totaled \$178,466,354. Twenty years ago the amount of taxable property listed in the entire State was less than \$11,300,000, of which \$556,666 was listed

by six citizens of Richmond.

The correspondence between Judge Scott and Major Sands, made public for the first time yesterday, follows: Richmond, Va., May 8, 1916. Judge R. Carter Scott, Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Richmond, Va.:

My Dear Sir:—In view of the fact that the Legislature has taken away from the several circuit courts the power of appointing the examiners of records, lodging this power in the State Advisory Board on Taxation, and declaring that the terms of the present incumbents shall expire on the 31st of May, 1916, I respectfully tender my resignation as examiner of records of this judicial circuit, and ask that the same take effect as of May 21, 1916.

In taking this step I wish to express my personal thanks and appreciation for the confidence heretofore reposed in me by the court and to assure the court that though I may not be connected with it after the 21st of May in an official way, I shall always recall with much pleasure the cordial relations that have heretofore existed and the support given me in the discharge of the duties imposed by law. Assuring you of my kindest personal regards, I beg to remain, Yours most truly,

(Signed) WILLIAM H. SANDS, Examiner of Records of the Tenth Judicial Circuit.

Richmond, Va., May 10, 1916. Major William H. Sands, Examiner of Records, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Richmond, Va.:

Dear Major:—It is with the greatest regret that I read your letter of the 9th instant. You have been the only incumbent of this office, having been appointed by Judge Wellford in 1895, when the office was created. When I succeeded him, although there were many applicants, I reappointed you because your record heretofore appointed by the courts of the Commonwealth shall expire upon the 30th day of May, 1916, or as soon thereafter as their successors have been appointed and qualified, except that the terms of examiners of records declared acceptable by the board, as above provided, shall end on the first day of May, 1920, unless sooner removed by the board.

I think your services are especially needed by the Commonwealth at this time, on account of your great familiarity with the tax laws and your long and varied experience in the office, and must, on this account, refuse to accept your resignation and leave this whole matter to be passed upon by the State Board of Review, who, in their wisdom, I have no doubt, will see this matter as I do.

I am sorry that our official ways are to be separated, but hope that you may live long to serve the State in the future as you have in the past. With kindest regards, I am, Sincerely yours, R. CARTER SCOTT.

(Signed) R. CARTER SCOTT.

COHEN'S FIRST ON MONDAY!

Shop Here First To-Morrow!

Stroll about on every floor and notice HOW LOW-PRICED our desirable, new goods are priced. Some lots still remain at the great sale prices of last week—and there are plenty of other tempting prices. We will be glad to see you when you come to-morrow.

Learn to Make Lamp Shades!

FREE LESSONS in Art Needlework and Lampshade making on

Tuesdays and Thursdays,

9 to 12—3 to 5.

Large assortment of Fringes, Braids, Trimmings and Stamped Goods and Flosses on sale.

Children's Free Embroidery Classes Saturday Morning, Second Floor.

Sport Stripe Beach Cloth Skirting, yd 29c

The newest! A beautiful weave fabric, with equal stripes of 1½-inch. In Green, Lavender, Copen, Navy and Black.

Main Floor—Rear.

Fashionable White Silks Claim Your Attention This Week

And What a Delight to Choose From Rich, Extensive Stocks—Such Lustrous Qualities—at Popular Cohen Prices!

White Silk Taffeta, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Nothing is smarter nor more dainty for this year's gowns. Soft lustrous White Silk Taffeta, 36 inches wide, very good silk value at these prices.

White Broadcloth, \$1.69

Washable. New white silk, combining the weight and tailoring quality of cloth with the finish and beauty of silk; 32 inches wide.

Wash Corduroy

For sport and outing wear. Especially adapted to the separate coat and skirt idea. 31 inches wide, at 43c. 36 inches wide, at \$1.00.

White Pongee, \$1.25

Successfully used for separate Coats and Skirts. Weight enough for good, hard service; 34 and 35 in. wide.

Our White Wool

Inviting range of fabrics. Smart weaves for skirts and frocks, indispensable for the warm days; 36 to 50 inches wide; 50c to \$2 yard.

White Wash Peau de Chine, \$1.85 yd

A regulation weave, but with very extra quality. After the most severe tests it looks fresh after washing. For separate Skirts and Tailleur gowns it is particularly effective.

White Habutai, \$1.25

Famous for its washing qualities, and ideal for blouses, shirts and undergarments. Practically pure silk. All imported.

New Laces--Thousands of Yards!

Imagine the use you can make of them—it is important that you should, for qualities are best, and prices remarkably low.

Net Top Laces, 26 inches wide, twenty different small floral patterns to select from. Can be used for making summer dresses; yard, 98c

Silk Shadow Laces; great variety of beautiful designs for summer blouses, in 36-inch width; special, \$1.00

New Fillet Laces—1 to 3-inch widths. White, Cream and Ecru, with insertion and edges to match; 5c to 39c

White Bob Nets, 12 inches wide, for confirmation and May procession dresses; special for Monday, yard, 85c

Main Floor—Center.

Embroideries in Endless Variety!

But it is not only variety we wish to emphasize—the question of VALUES is equally important. Here's some of them for Monday:

27-inch Ruffled Baby Flouncings—sheer Swiss and dainty, well-worked designs; at unusual price of, 59c

15-inch Corset Cover Embroideries, pretty scallops and eyelets; values that you will be glad to get at, 19c

Embroidered Flouncings, on French batiste, in small, charming patterns, for dainty ruffled dresses, 12 and 25c

19c French Organdy Edges, pure white, very sheer; also Batiste 12½c with colored edges for blouse ruffles; yard

Allover Embroideries, full width, in great variety of open or blind patterns; extra special values, 25c

Embroidered Voiles, 45 inches wide, in heavy, showy styles on sheer voiles, small lot of 50c quality, featured 29c

50c Embroidered Organdy Allover, sheer French Organdy, embroidered in floral patterns, fine for blouses; 38c

19c French Organdy Edges, pure white, very sheer; also Batiste 12½c with colored edges for blouse ruffles; yard

Main Floor—Center.

Bargain Basement Specials for Monday!

Brussels, 25c. Extra Size, 35c. Gauge, 25c. Pans, 25c. For Women, 10c pair.

EVERY ITEM IS A MONEY-SAVER. Come to the popular Cohen Bargain Basement Monday and see the bargains that economical housewives are looking for.

Phone or mail orders given prompt attention.)

- 10c-12½c Long-cloth, 53½c. Assorted qualities; lengths to 8 yards.
- 10c-12½c India Linon, 73½c. Also Apron Lawn; 40 inches in width.
- 25c Gabardines, Yard, 14c. 35 inches wide, highly mercerized.
- 19c-25c White Goods, 12½c. Lingerie, Mercerized Lawn and Flaxons.
- 19c Middy Cloth, 12½c. Yard wide, assorted twills; lengths to 8 yards.
- 19c-25c White Voile, 8c. Tape Selvage; lengths to 5 yards.
- Mercerized Madras, 12½c. Assorted Figures for Summer Waists.
- 12½c Curtain Serim, 6½c. 40 inches wide; white or ecru; good grade.
- 85c Sheets, 69c. Size 81x90 inches; scalloped; heavy linen finish.
- Scalloped Pillow Cases, 16c. Large size, 48x55 inches; worth 25c each.
- Heavy Bleached Sheets. Reinforced center seam; 72x90 inches—60c grade, 47c. 50c grade, 40c.
- Good Feather Pillows, 47c. Strong ticking, dustless and odorless feathers. (Bolsters to match, 80c).
- Bleached Pillow Cases, 73½c. Made of good quality muslin. Monday specials.
- Double-Ed Spreads, \$1. Pretty Marseilles patterns, light and warm.
- 50c Bungalow Aprons, 19c. Closing out one small lot of maroon only.
- 25c Rompers, 19c. Well made; sizes 2 to 6 years.
- 75c and \$1 Waists, 39c. Size 36 only; slightly muscad; white only.
- 75c and \$1 Dresses, 59c. For children; made of colored ginghams.
- 11c Bleached Cotton, 73½c. (No Phone Orders) Yard wide; positively no dressing; best grade for women's underwear.
- 12½c Figured Percales, 83½c. Yard wide; also stripes on white grounds.
- 25c Figured Voiles, 12½c. 40 inches wide; elaborate colorings.
- 10c Dress Gingham, 61½c. Fast color plaids and stripes; yard wide.
- 38½-inch Unbleached Cotton, 5c. Fine quality; lengths up to 20 yards.
- 12½c Seed Voiles, 83½c. Figures and stripes; special values.
- 45c Wamsutta Sheeting, 32c. Full bleached; 24 yards wide; in lengths up to 20 yards.
- 15c Dress Gingham, 103½c. 32 inches wide; plaids and stripes, 10 to 20-yard lengths.
- Women's Muslin Gowns, 19c. Lace trimmed, cut full; for Monday only.
- \$1.00 Corsets for 79c. Pink or white, coutil, newest styles. (50c Corsets, 30c).
- Boys' \$3 Suits, \$2.69. Fancy stripe wool mixtures; Norfolk style.
- Boys' \$6 Suits, \$4.89. Blue mixtures; 2 pairs of pants; Norfolk style.
- Boys' Palm Beach Suits, \$3. Gray or Palm Beach color; pinch back, English Norfolk style, with extra pair of pants.
- 50c Khaki Pants, 39c. Strongly made, well wearing pants—75c Khaki Pants, 50c. \$1.00 Khaki Pants, 75c.
- Straw Hats—Small Sizes. Owing to limited quantity, we will sell these Boys' Straws like this: \$1.00 Hats for, 60c. 50c Hats for, 30c. Bargain Basement.

"VUDOR" Porch Shades

Keeps the porch cool, does not reflect sun ray; "Vudor" Porch Shades last many seasons.

Size. Price. 4x7 ft. 8 in. \$2.25 6x7 ft. 8 in. \$3.25 8x7 ft. 8 in. \$4.25 10x7 ft. 8 in. \$5.50

Crex Matting

Plain with stencilled borders, bound edges; greens, browns, blues—for halls and porches.

Plain Crex

36 inches wide, yard, 45c. 54 inches wide, yard, 75c.

Figured Crex

27 inches wide, yard, 49c. 36 inches wide, yard, 59c. 54 inches wide, yard, 89c. 72 inches wide, yard, \$1.25

Waite Grass Rugs

Cool, refreshing Rugs, in greens, light blues, grays and tans.

27x54 inches \$1.25 36x72 inches \$1.98 6x9 feet \$5.50 9x12 feet \$9.95

Willow Grass Rugs

Figured, Grecian and band borders; blues, browns, greens, reds—cool, easy to keep clean.

18x36 inches \$4.50 9x12 feet \$8.95 Fourth Floor.

See Our New Cretonnes 17½c at, yard

Beautiful patterns, large range for selection. Dainty effects.

Imported and Domestic

Cretonnes, Chintz and Art Tickings

Standard fast color dyed. The popular designs for selection, such as Jasper stripes, Verd foliage and figured effects. Priced this way:

The Imported, yard 17½c, 25c, 29c, 39c, 55c.

The Domestic, yard 60c, 75c, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50.

Fourth Floor.

Dutch Scrim 1.29 Curtains, pr 1

Dutch Scrim Curtains, excellent quality; hemmed ready for rod. White, Ivory and ecru. Price, \$1.29.

Fourth Floor.

Filet Nets, yard, 25c

With pretty dots, block stripes and all-over designs; 36 inches wide. For sash or long curtains.

Colored Border Scrim, 19c

Serims with plain hemstitched edges; pink, blue, lavender and green double borders. Very good value at, yard 10c.

Fourth Floor.

New White Goods for Summer Wear!

Cord Skirting, 58c. 40 inches wide; Pure White Fancy Skirting—an exact reproduction of the English cloth that sells at \$1 yard—washes perfectly.

Sheer Voiles at 19c. 36-40 inches wide; both Plain and Corded Voiles, with a rich, crisp finish—pure Ivory White. Ideal for wash dresses and summer waists.

White & Awning Stripe Gabardine Suits 14.75

These are the very newest models, where the fashionable sailor collar, belted box coats, sport style, are remarkable examples of beautiful fashioning. Combinations of Green and White, Copen and White, and Rose and White. Also, Flare Riding Habit and of linen, in several colors. Monday, \$14.75.

Pretty Voile Dresses, Special 5.95

Dainty models, trimmed with embroidery and lace; crushed belt of ribbon. In all colors and sizes, 16 to 44.

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White Skirting, 25c. 36 inches wide; newest novelties in cords, waffle checks, block and Oxford weave. Rich in texture, perfect in design and laundering qualities.

New Seed Cloths, 75c. 36 inches wide; beautiful Silk-Embroidered Seed Cloth, in neat and elaborate designs. The quality is exceptionally good for attractive summer frocks.

27-inch Poppins, 19c. Two shades of our regular 25c Poppins—Black and White, extra heavy and mercerized in the yarn, that we are going to feature Monday. Main Floor—Rear.

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Oxford Skirting, 39c. 36 inches wide; highly mercerized. If you want a delightfully new summer flaring skirt, there is no better material than this special.

New Seed Cloths, 75c. 36 inches wide; beautiful Silk-Embroidered Seed Cloth, in neat and elaborate designs. The quality is exceptionally good for attractive summer frocks.

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